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Honorable John Myers House of Representatives 2372 Rayburn Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Myers:

This is in reply to your letter of March 1, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

Your constituents are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. In short, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your constituents' concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest in this proceeding. Your constituents' letters will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely

Richard J. Shiben

Chief, Land Mobile & Microwave Division

Private Radio Bureau

Enclosures

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Mr. James H. Quello Acting Chairman Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street NW Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Quello:

Enclosed please find several letters I have received from my constituents in opposition to proposed rules being promulgated by the Federal Communications Commission which would negatively impact their use of radio controlled model airplanes.

It would be greatly appreciated if you would review the enclosed

The Honorable John Meyers U.S. House of Reps. Washington, D.C. 20515

Feb 13, 1993

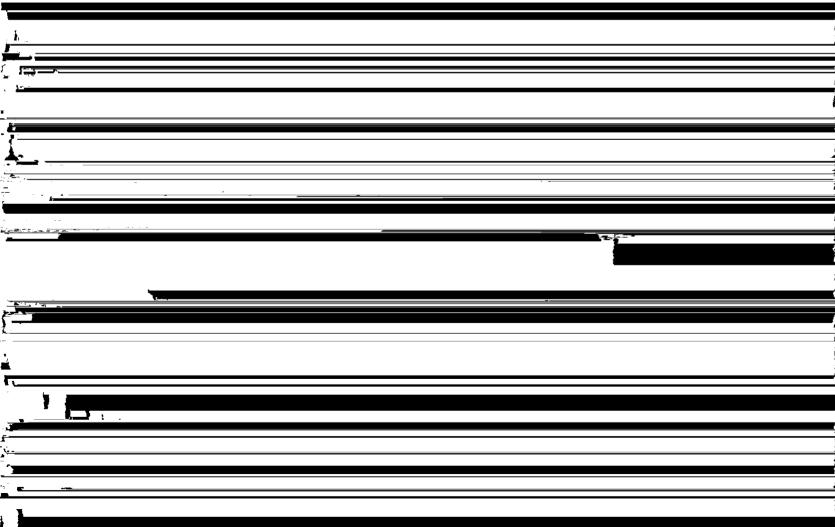
RE: PR Docket 92-235

Dear Mr. Meyers,

The purpose of this letter is twofold; First, we want to inform you of the activities for the Lafayette Cloud Jockey Radio Control Flying Club and to extend an invitation for you to join us for breakfast. Second, we want to inform you how the FCC proposed rule change PR Docket 92-235, if adopted, will affect us.

The enclosed pamphlet and pages contains information about the club, activities, and flying field location. What makes this flying club so unique is the diversity of interest of the members involved. There are several groups within the club that do various activities on their own, as a result of having such a high interest in RC Flying. One particular group meets every Saturday at the W/Laf. K-Mart for breakfast. (Incidentally this is where I last met and spoke to you, just prior to the last election. Yes, you got my vote.)

Sorry, for the short notice to attend breakfast as there is

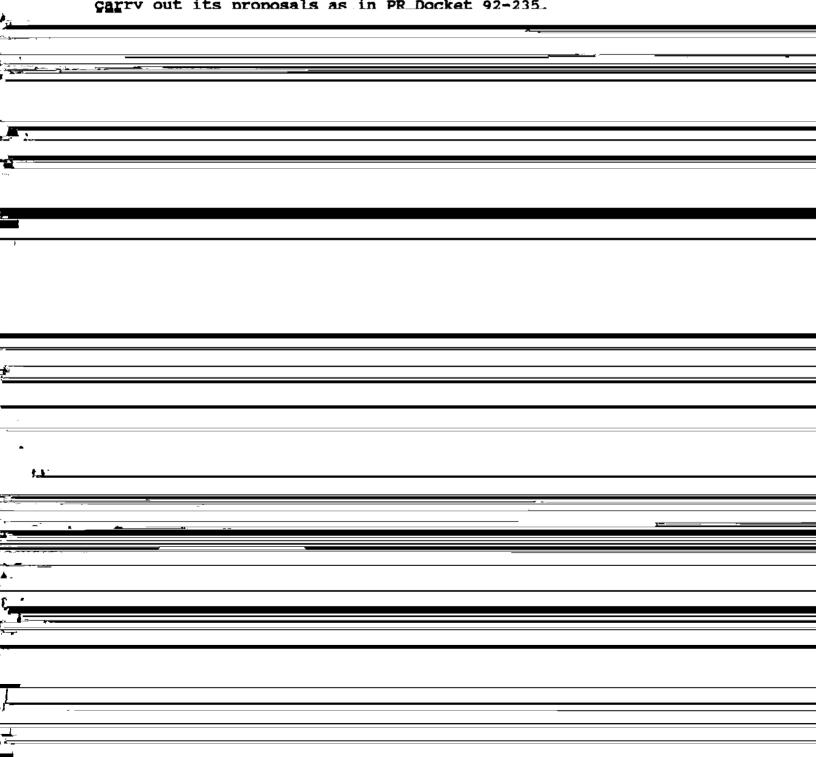


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The average price of a radio is \$150.00, this represents an investment of \$21,450 for radios (on the affected freq.) alone and if we added the value of the planes and related equipment the cost rises rapidly. We have a lot to lose.

Please help us protect our investment, and to continue the enjoyment of our hobby in a safe manner by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals as in PR\_Docket 92-235.



The Honorable
Rep: John Myers
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Dear Sir:

I am retired + enjoy building and flying radio controlled model airplanes I wish to say that PR Docket 92-235 that the FCC Proposal for the 72-76 MHZ band not to be adopted, because it will be to close to are prequencies that are

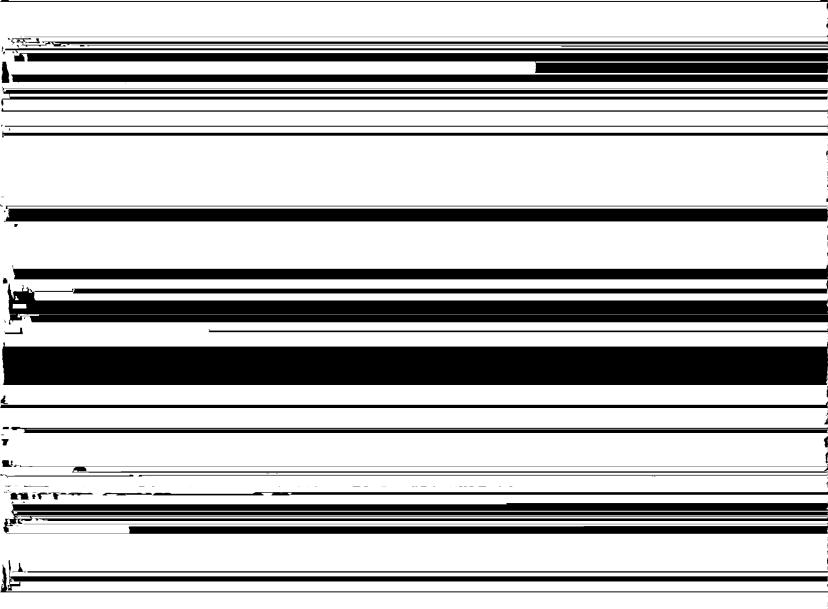
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THE HONORABLE JOHN MYERS U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

GOOD MORNING JOHN,

I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT PROPOSED RULES THAT ARE CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE F.C.C.. THE PROCEEDING IS PR DOCKET 92-235. IF ADOPTED, THE NEW RULES WILL GREATLY REDUCE THE USABILITY OF THE FREQUENCIES CURRENTLY ASSIGNED FOR USE IN RADIO CONTROLLED MODEL AIRPLANES. THE PROPOSED NEW RULES WILL INCREASE THE RISK OF ACCIDENTS AND ATTENDANT LIABILITY FOR CONTROLLING THESE AIRPLANES.

OUR RADIO CONTROL FREQUENCIES ARE IN THE 72-76 MHZ BAND. THIS BAND IS PRIMARILY USED FOR PRIVATE LAND MOBILE DISPATCH



SIDE NOTE TO RON HARDMAN....

WHAT"S WITH HILLARY CLINTON? BEFORE THE ELECTION SHAE SEEMED

(DRAT) THIS IS MY FIRST ATTEMPT WITH A

REAL LIVE WORD PROCESSOR. AT ANY RATE.. NOW SHE WANTS TO BE

KNOW BY THREE NAMES. IS SHE TRYING TO DISTANCE HERSELF FROM

SLICK WILLE OR IS SHE STAKING OUT HER TERRITORY? HERE'S A THOUGHT
... IS CLINTON MERELY ACTING AS A FRONT FOR HILLARY? WHAT EVER

HAPPENED TO THE NEW IDEA FOR A BEST SELLER BOOK... NAMELY

HILLARY'S HOUSEHOLD HINTS. WE MAY BE IN FOR A LONG FOUR YEARS.

KEEP IN TOUCH.... WAYDE GOOD GRIEF, I CAN'T EVEN SPELL MY OWN NAME ON THIS INFERNAL MACHINE.

Wayne

Dear John Meyers

I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model airplanes.

I am very concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 Mhz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidth and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio control operations. I an told that of the 50 ferquencies that are presently available for radio control of model airplanes, only 19 frenquencies will be left it these new rules are adopted.

When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safely precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control